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Sir:

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The Examiner's attention is directed to the following U.S. application:

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US '124, US '262, US '600, US '359, US '333, US '129 and US '796, which generally relate to ink jet recording, are discussed at pages 39 and 40 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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